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The Honorable Sara Kyle, Chairman  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
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Re: *Proposed Rules for the Provisioning of Tariff Term Plans and Special Contracts*  
Docket No. 00-00702

Dear Chairman Kyle:

Enclosed are the original and fourteen copies of BellSouth's Statement of Status of Settlement Negotiations. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

  
Guy M. Hicks

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Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Deborah Taylor Tate, Hearing Officer

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**  
**Nashville, Tennessee**

**In Re:**        *Proposed Rules for the Provisioning of Tariff Term Plans and Special Contracts*  
              **Docket No. 00-00702**

**BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S STATUS REPORT**

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") files this Status Report as directed by the Hearing Officer regarding the continuing negotiations between BellSouth, the Consumer Advocate Division of the Attorney General's Office, as well as additional CLECs and ILECs.

During the last two weeks, BellSouth and the CLECs and ILECs have met to discuss issues relating to the rulemaking docket. BellSouth has also met with members of the TRA Telecommunications Staff. In response to those meetings, as well as at the request of the Consumer Advocate Division of the Attorney General's Office, BellSouth is currently preparing a written proposal to be circulated to the parties for further consideration.

BellSouth continues to believe that this negotiation process will yield positive results and may narrow the issues for consideration in the rulemaking docket.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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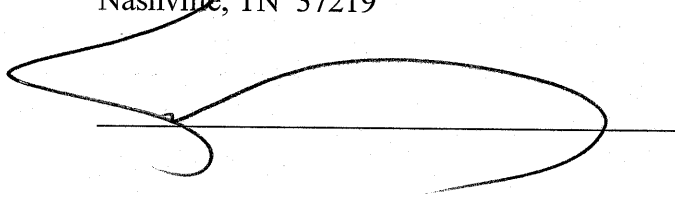
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